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SUBJECT: Designation of Beneficiary

- 1. Public Law 636, 81st Congress, established a uniform procedure for the disposition of compensation due deceased Government employees, effective in cases of death occurring on or after 1 December 1950.
- 2. The cited Law permits the employing activity to make direct settlement of unpaid compensation with the surviving spouse, or with the teneficiary (or beneficiaries) designated by an employee on Standard Form 1152 "Designation of Beneficiary Unpaid Compensation of Deceased Civilian Employee". A supply of the Forms are attached for use by the personnel of your station. Executed Forms should be transmitted to the undersigned for filing with the employee's finance records and, unless changed or revoked, will be effective so long as the individual is continuously employed by this activity.
- 3. It is to be noted that execution of the Form in no way affects death benefits payable under the Civil Service Retirement Act. Also, Public Law 636 requires settlement by the General accounting Office, rather than the employing activity, in these cases where no Standard Form 1152 is on file or where there is no surviving spouse.

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